

README for the Reproducibility Package for Concentration of critical mining assets and the geoeconomic fragmentation

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Overview

The code in this replication package constructs the analysis file from five data sources: S&P et al. (2023), Global Trade Alert (2024), Geopolical Distance, Trade codes, and IEA (2024), using Python. A single main file runs all the code necessary to process the data for the 18 figures and 3 tables in the paper. Replicators should expect the code to run for approximately 2 hours. To decrease computation time, the construction of the GPD dataset may be commented out (in Module_GPD.py). This will decrease the computation time to 10 minutes.

Due to the proprietary nature of the S&P dataset, replicators must possess an S&P license to run the code, as the data cannot be provided. On the S&P platform, data have been collected through the screener tab by selecting all the minerals mentioned in the paper.

Data Availability and Provenance Statements

Statement about Rights

- I certify that the author(s) of the manuscript have legitimate access to and permission to use the data used in this manuscript.
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Summary of Availability

- All data **are** publicly available.
- Some data **cannot be made** publicly available.
- No data can be made** publicly available.

See overview section for more info.

Details on each Data Source

Data.Name	Data.Files	Location	Provided	Citation	URL	Date of access	Comments
“Global Trade Alert 2024”	GTA+ Database+ 2008-latest. Rdata	Dataset/ GTA	TRUE	GTA, 2024	https://www.old.globaltradealert.org/data_extraction	July, 2024	The data was collected on a version of the website that does not exist anymore. Users can download the data using the new website: https://globaltradealert.org/data-center

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“Geopolical Distance”	UNVotes_new.RData	Dataset/Geopolical Distance/	TRUE	GPD, 2024	https://dataverse.harvard.edu/dataset.xhtml?persistentId=hdl:1902.1/12379&version=32.0	July, 2024	The file on the dataverse website to download is UNVotes.RData
“IEA policies”	iea_policies.json	Dataset/	TRUE	IEA, 2024	https://www.iea.org/data-and-statistics/data-tools/critical-minerals-policy-tracker	July, 2024	The data was obtained from the data URL and saved in a JSON file via web scraping. We collected data on all the policies listed (blue dots on the data URL) on the date of access.
“Trade codes”	Trade_codes_HS.xlsx	Dataset/Trade Codes	TRUE	NA	https://publications.jrc.ec.europa.eu/repository/handle/JRC136041	July, 2024	All the data were extracted manually from that PDF.
“S&P”	Not available	Dataset/	FALSE	S&P (2023)	https://www.spglobal.com/market-intelligence/en/campaigns/metals-mining	November, 2023	

Data files of data source “S&P”

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Dataset/S&P/Production_clean/Tungsten.xlsx	FALSE	November, 2023
Dataset/S&P/Production_clean/Uranium.xlsx	FALSE	November, 2023

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Dataset/S&P/Production_clean/Vanadium.xlsx	FALSE	November, 2023
Dataset/S&P/Production_clean/Yttrium.xlsx	FALSE	November, 2023
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Dataset/S&P/Reserves_clean/Diamonds.xlsx	FALSE	November, 2023
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Dataset/S&P/Reserves_clean/Graphite.xlsx	FALSE	November, 2023
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Software Requirements

- Python 3.12.5
 - pandas 2.2.2
 - numpy 1.26.4
 - plotly 5.21.0
 - pycountry 23.12.11
 - pyreadr 0.5.2
 - matplotlib 3.8.4
 - altair 5.5.0
 - sklearn 1.4.2

Summary

Approximate time needed to reproduce the analyses on a standard (CURRENT YEAR) desktop machine:

- <10 minutes
- 10-60 minutes
- 1-2 hours
- 2-8 hours
- 8-24 hours
- 1-3 days
- 3-14 days
- > 14 days

Approximate storage space needed:

- < 25 MBytes
- 25 MB - 250 MB
- 250 MB - 2 GB
- 2 GB - 25 GB
- 25 GB - 250 GB
- > 250 GB
- Not feasible to run on a desktop machine, as described below.

Details

The code was last run on a **8-core AMD-based Desktop with Windows 10**.

Computation took **two hours**.

Description of programs/code

- Programs in `Code_articleBM` will generate all tables and figures in the main body of the article. The file `Core.py` will run them all.
- `load_func.py` regroups the main functions used

Instructions to Replicators

- Edit `Core.py` to adjust the default path
- Run `Core.py` to run all modules in sequence.

Details

- `Core.py`: is used to set paths, to define parameters and process raw data. When run, it also run all modules below in sequence.
- `load_func.py`: Contains all important functions for data procession and the analysis.
- `Module_statistics.py`: Produces the statistics figures.
- `Module_production.py`: Computes HHI for production and produces the HHI production figures.
- `Module_reserves.py`: Computes HHI for reserves and produces the HHI reserves figures.
- `Module_GPD.py`: Process the GPD data and produces GPD related figures.
- `Module_other_figures.py`: Produces figures 12a and 12b.
- `Module_alter_measures.py`: Produces figures in the annex.

List of tables and programs

The provided code reproduces:

- All numbers provided in text in the paper
- All figures and tables in the paper
- Selected tables and figures in the paper, as explained and justified below.

Figure/Table #	Program	Output file	Note
Figure 1	<code>Module_statistics.py</code>	Figure1.png	Source: IEA (2024)
Figure 2	<code>Module_statistics.py</code>	Figure2.png	Source: Global Trade Alert (2024)
Figure 4	<code>Module_GPD.py</code>	Figure4.png	Requires S&P data (non publicly available)

Figure/Table #	Program	Output file	Note
Figure 5	Module_statistics.py	Figure5.png	Requires S&P data (non publicly available)
Figure 6	Module_statistics.py	Figure6.png	Requires S&P data (non publicly available)
Figure 7	Module_production.py	Figure7.png	Requires S&P data (non publicly available)
Figure 8	Module_production.py	Figure8.png	Requires S&P data (non publicly available)
Figure 9	Module_production.py	Figure9.png	Requires S&P data (non publicly available)
Figure 10	Module_GPD.py	Figure10.png	Requires S&P data (non publicly available)
Figure 11	Module_GPD.py	Figure11.png	Requires S&P data (non publicly available)
Figure 12.a	Module_other_figures.py	Figure12a.png	Requires S&P data (non publicly available)
Figure 12.b	Module_other_figures.py	Figure12b.png	Requires S&P data (non publicly available)
Figure 13	Module_alter_measures.py	Figure13.png	Requires S&P data (non publicly available)
Figure 14	Module_alter_measures.py	Figure14.png	Requires S&P data (non publicly available)
Figure 15	Module_alter_measures.py	Figure15.png	Requires S&P data (non publicly available)
Figure 16	Module_reserves.py	Figure16.png	Requires S&P data (non publicly available)
Figure 17	Module_reserves.py	Figure17.png	Requires S&P data (non publicly available)
Figure 18	Module_reserves.py	Figure18.png	Requires S&P data (non publicly available)
Table 1	Module_statistics.py	mining_assets.xlsx	Requires S&P data (non publicly available)
Table 2	Module_production.py	table_df_production_combine.xlsx	Requires S&P data (non publicly available)
Table 3	Module_reserves.py	table_df_reserves_combine.xlsx	Requires S&P data (non publicly available)

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